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PHOTOGRAPHIC REPRODUCTION OF LINE DRAWING
Made by WILLIAM BARTRAM
of
SARRACENIA VARIOLARIS and PINGUICULA ELATIOR

The original was sent by Bartram to Dr. Fothergill, a London botanist, and is now in South Kensington Museum, London.

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Bartram Wilson and Fothergill

Reproductions of specimens letters drawings,

1) herbarium spec. sent by John Bartram to Sir John Sloane 1742-43
2) Letters from John Bartram to Dr. Fothergill
3) Front page Wm Bartram Diary -
4) remainder Black + white drawings of plants sent by Wm Bartram to Dr. Fothergill

(Photographic reproduction of line drawings made by Wm Bartram of Sarracenia variolaris + pinguicula elatar)

according to letter there should be 16 reproduction only 14 when cat'd - 3-22-44 B. 25,00

Cannot find records of Dr. Trelease's catalogueing)

Bartram Memorial Committee, Pa.

Bartram (W.)

This and another volume (M.S. No. 79) contain a narrative of William Bartram's travels in Georgia and Florida written by him for Dr Fothergill at whose request and expense the travels were undertaken - See Darlington's Memorials of John Bartram, p. 345. &c. A fuller account of his travels was published by Bartram - Philadelphia, 1791.

Bartram sent drawings of plants and animals observed by him to Fothergill. These are bound in a folio volume along with some letters from his father - John Bartram to Fothergill.

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Bartram, William + John

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Reproduction of Specimens of Plant Drawings

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2) letters from John Bartram to Dr Fothergill

3) part page Wm Bartram diary

4) remainder Black + White drawings plants sent to Dr. Fothergill

Jos: Banks

Philadelphia March 20 1771

Went onboard the Brig.tn Chartestown Packquet Wright commander bound for South Carolina we were favoured with a fair wind down the River to Rede Island when the Flood Tide met us We came to Anchor in company with a Brig.tn bound to the same Port we were; early in the morning we got under way & left sight of the Capes of Delawar This night the wind coming about, in the morning we found it a head the gale increasing in its strength blew up a violent Storm which obliged us to lye too for two days & nights the third day the Storm abated the fury of the Elloments subsided, & the face of the angry Ocian remaind calm & pleasant during the whole Voyage. Many small birds of the Finch kind were blown onboard they were very gentle & glad to find a place of rest for their feet: after their wearied wings had gaind new strength by this short repose they lifted themselves aloft & were born away by favour of the flying Winds, to their summer habitations in

FIRST PAGE OF "TRAVELS"
by
WILLIAM BARTRAM
In the author's handwriting.

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Dear Beloved Friend November y 26 1769

I have now little to write haveing wrote largely by Captain Falconer by whome I sent for thee a Box of plants & shrubs in which I put two small harmless snake I sent also a Barrel in which I planted many Colocasia roots for y King & thy self I also put two of our large Bull frogs perhaps male & female. which if thay come safe & you have none of them before will be a great incent Curiosity for y King: thay are very harmless if thee wants any of them or any of our tortises I will endeavor to send them, we have a great variety of y water kinds that is harmless beside y mischievous snaping one that lives mostly on fish & fowls when thay can catch them by surprise & thay are very exterous at it; thay creep all over in y mud except their nose & when a fish swims over them thay snap him into their mouths also when young ducks or goslings swims over near them thay catch hould of their feet draws them under water & devours them & mankind catcheth all they can not onely to destroy them but thay esteem the stewed soup to be a delitious morcel, as most of y others are.

I shall be well pleased if thy Nephew will undertake to receive my salary & y Cash for y Seed Boxes I shall send for which I am very willing to allow him full Commissions if thee will please to let me know by first opertunity. I intend to give him orders to receive & give proper discharges

I remain thy true friend John Bartram

Doctr Fothergil

LETTER
sent by
JOHN BARTRAM OF PHILADELPHIA
to
DR. FOTHERGILL IN LONDON
1769.

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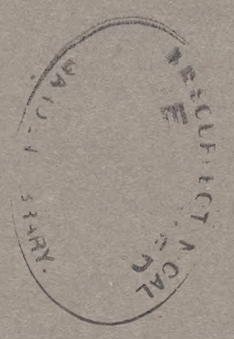
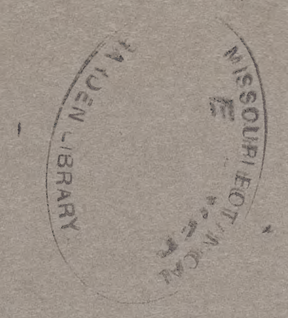
Bartram, William & John

Letter sent by John Bartram of Philadelphia

to Dr. Fothergill in London 1769.





My dear worthy friend Augusst 12th 1769

Jos: Banks

I received thy kind friendly letter of 4th month 1760 & was surprized & glad to
much kindness expressed in it to one who so little deserved it — I have not receiv
ed any answer from Michel Collinson or Benjamin Franklin or any others to those
letters I sent to them with ye Captain that brought thine but with Michel there is
pretty large accounts to settle between us which I desired his father a little time before
his decease to send me an account how they stood which he had not done of two or three
year before — I am glad ye Box of plants was acceptable & came pretty well under ye
greatest disadvantage being packed in frozen clods, lay shiped at ye wast frose frose up
a month after they might have sailed & at last wind bound at our Capes: ye never
was so disapointed as last fall all our vessails sailed in ye fall for London went to sea
one I expected to sail after changed her voyage one was to sail to Bristol but she
proved Leaky & could not get out till spring: I am much obliged for thy valuable present
of Purverys translation I called at Fishers for them the bound ones was all disposed of
they offered to get bound & charge thee with it but I would'nt consent being satisfied
that ye unbound present was more then I deserved I like it much he hath mollified
many harsh Cacinistical expresions in their old translation
I am much obliged to thee for thy kind offer of service I dont know yet whether
ye King continues his bounty nor who receives it
my Colocasia now makes a glorious appearance I intend to try if I cant assist
ye King & my friend Fothergill in being Proprietors of it, it rarely grows by seed
I must try to send ye roots in a Cask of mud but it must have a pond of water
it will grow from two foot to 12 deep in water where they will soon spread with
their rushy creeping roots 2 or 3 rod square & ye leaves wholy cover ye water
it is very kind in the to ingage thy Nephew to take care of ye seeds I send I must
enlarge my nursery garden I like thy proposal of sowing or transplanting our native
plants into it but I can't resolve upon any thing till I hear from Colinson Franklin
Gordon or Webb: both thee want a natural history of all our further water as well
as land; we have a great variety of ye first & but few real kinds of ye last
thy proposal of making natural mould by an artifitial means may answer very well
in many cases but there we should be perticular in ye choice of earth & leaves to suite
perticular vegitables if we want a rich mellow soil we may chuse that amongst hard
dark gray iron stones limeston & marble & ye leaves must be walnut Mulbery Sumach Papaw
hasel & locust: if we want a lean stif mould we must chuse white clay & gravel with
chestnut white oak leaves: if a hungry light mould chesnut sand mixed with isinglas with
beech & Hicory leaves: but all our kind of Oak leaves is long in dissolving —
I take one of ye Causes of natural fertility to be saline effluviums out of ye
earth & perhaps ye atmosphere may contribute something to it as well as several
other Causes for ye wisdom of Providence is manifested in his incomprehensible works
in nature for ye general support of ye universe by such a wise structur that
many causes mutualy contribute to one effect each of which under ye direction
of Almighty Power promotes ye general Balance of ye universe
the sterility of different soils hath numerous causes beside wet & dry. cold
& heat as a deep compact bed of clay near ye surface or a flat rock of great
extent of isinglas. or as in Carolina Georgia & Florida a vast strata of whitish
clay near ye surface or a vast body of concreted sea shells some by a Calcari
ous matter some by a ferruginous & in some places sand & hard compacted

so with a ferruginous matter as to be impenitrable by water unless by a
long continued pressure which is ye cause of ye great extensive Savanas in Car
Georgia & Florida where in moist seasons water continualy lyeth on ye surf
until ye sun in a long dry season exhales ye greatest part & ye other descends by
slow degrees through ye compact strata below & furnisheth ye great fountains
that breaks out almost level with ye sea in Florida & banks of rivers in Car
It is very clearly demonstrable that our low lands to Florida from ye Northw
hath been raised since ye sea retired from between our mountains a little a
our side York its near twenty miles from ye hills to ye sea: against Philadelphia
its 50 against Maryland 60. against virginia 100. No Carolina 150 south
carolina 200 some places more or less Georgia much like Florida 3 & 400
from ye hills to ye point all this extent of countrey hath been raised by ye work
of ye sea & high winds blowing ye sands a great hight on shore above 40 foot hi
as I have observed in one stage & from thence still higher as ye back gro
is leveled to receive it also ye great rivers brings down much soil in great flo
it is clearly evident that all our great chains of mountains was once co
vered with sea or salt water for a long time before ye earth was ha
table to beasts: as many of them & most of ye vails between them is a
so with sea shells embodied in vast masses of rocks most of which is lim
stone. these great vails doubtless was great bays of ye sea long after ye hig
hills was dry; indeed upon a very close examination our back mountain
except
countrey seems much resembling our sea coasts in ye elevation. ye positio
rocks. ye materials of which they are composed as sand stone. pebles. grav
& sea shells ye same as on our Coast except in magnitude nay even ye ver
sea & salt marsh mud in its exact position but now is converted into sub
vious vitriolick & aluminous rocks
but I take ye Cordelior mountains & high piked vulcanos to be raised to
their vast hight by fire: but I dont deny ye noachian flood but ye believ
by ye account we have of it being mixed with so much fresh water those sh
was neither bread in it. nor was it natural for such prodigious numbers
be then formed in such masses of rocks all over ye back Countrey
I am very much obliged to thee for thy kind offer of service to me
its strange that Michel Collinson hath not wrote to me but one lett
& that mentioned not a word how ye affairs stands between us which
is considerable as his father had not settled with me for years
I like thy advice much to write to ye Kings gardener at Kew in
my next to thee I intend to inclose one to him
in ye mean time I remain thy grateful & much obliged friend

John Bartram

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TWO PAGE FOLIO LETTER
Sent by
JOHN BARTRAM to DR. FOTHERGILL
in 1769.

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Bartram, William and John

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and forwarded to
DR. FOTHERGILL, LONDON.
This study is of special interest as showing the capacity which William Bartram had for the natural grouping of objects, and depicts several of our most notable native plants and animals.
Original in South Kensington Museum.

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Bartram, William - Plan

Reproduction of specimens, letters, drawings

... John Howard — ... Dr. Fothergill

(Line drawing made by William Bartram
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LINE DRAWING
made by
WILLIAM BARTRAM
of
AMERICAN PITCHER PLANT (SARRACENIA FLAVA)

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1. Gentiana ciliata ?

this is of curious botanical
plant flowering in ye Autumn
& October & flowers continuing long
in the country & seems pressing hard
not contrary to probability ye Flowers
fine preserved per Mr Graham from

MVSEVM
BRITAN

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HERBARIUM SPECIMEN OF FRINGED GENTIAN
(GENTIANA CRINITA)

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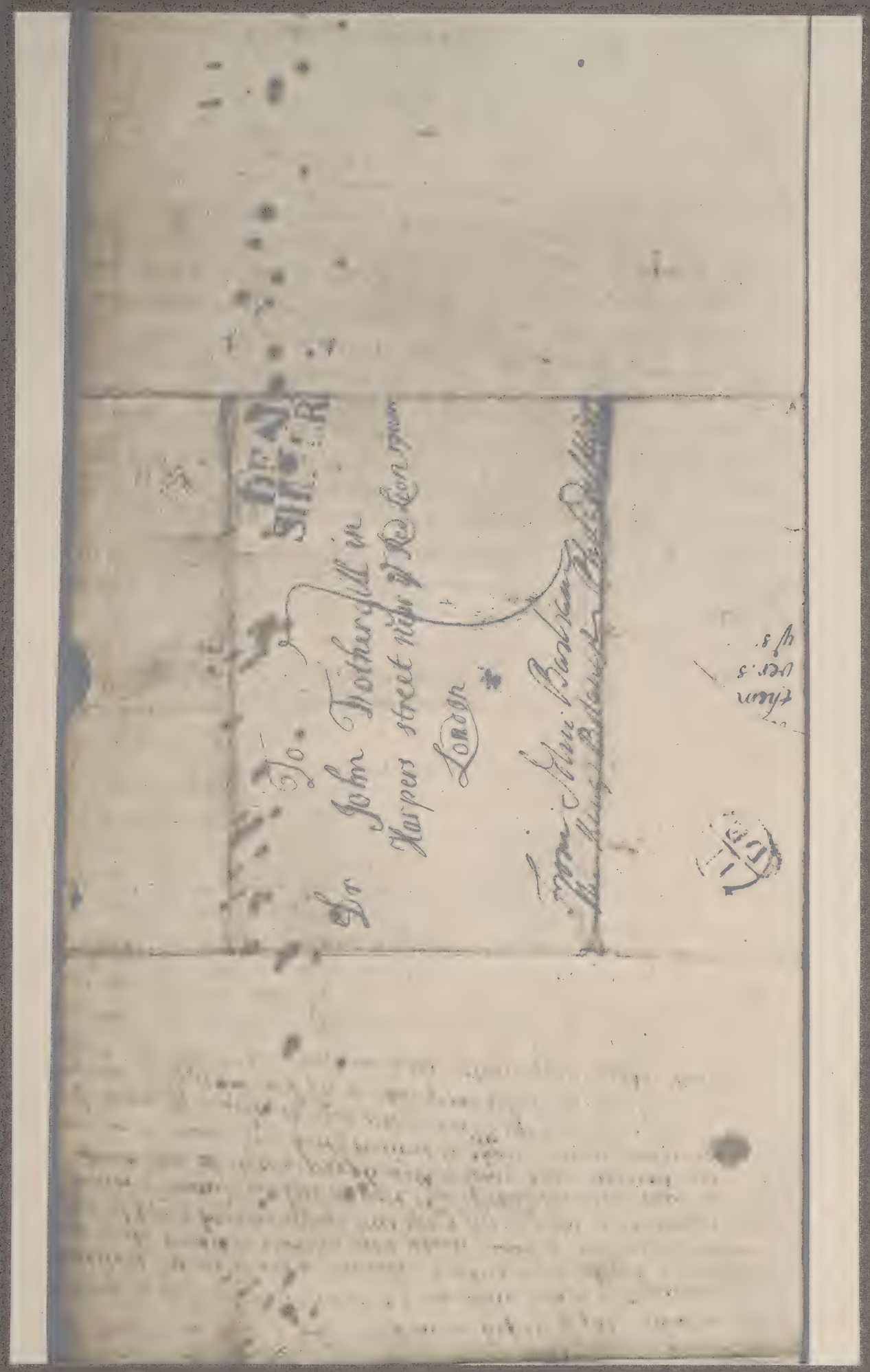

LETTER ADDRESS
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JOHN BARTRAM to DR. FOTHERGILL
1769.

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Plants

Gathered by

A.r John Bartram

In Philadelphia, &c.

In the yar 1742, & 1743.

Specimens of
Collected by John Bartram in 4d year 1742
for Sir Hans Sloan

Specimens for Sir Hans Sloan sent by John Bartram 1743

For Sir Hans Sloan sent by John B

These plants were imperfectly attached to waste pages of printed matter, and have been removed and mounted in the order of the original volume.

W. Carruthers
9 March 1888.

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TITLE PAGE
FOLIO VOLUME OF HERBARIUM SPECIMENS

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Ribes quinquefolium. Linn

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HERBARIUM SPECIMEN OF GINSENG
(PANAX QUINQUEFOLIA)

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this fine grass plant
[illegible] in ye countries
of ye [illegible] nations

HERBARIUM SPECIMEN OF TWISTED STALK
(STREPTOPUS AMPLEXIFOLIUS)

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They are male & female on y^e
same it groweth in y^e cedar swamps

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HERBARIUM SPECIMEN OF CHAIN FERN
(WOODWARDIA AREOLATA)

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this grows in our oats fields in such great plenty that when our Cows feed upon it it makes their milk bitter

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Bartram, William - John

Herbarium specimen of cut leaved ragweed
(Ambrosia Artemisiaefolia)

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HERBARIUM SPECIMEN OF CUT LEAVED RAGWEED
(AMBROSIA ARTEMISIAEFOLIA)

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this grows in rich
bottoms by river sides

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Bartram, William & John

Herbarium specimen of lobed ragweed
(Ambrosia Trifida)

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HERBARIUM SPECIMEN OF LOBED RAGWEED
(AMBROSIA TRIFIDA)

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